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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment should be considered prior to examination of the  
referenced patent application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, ~~delete~~ lines 2-5 and insert the following in place thereof:

--The application is a divisional application of U.S. patent application Serial  
No. 09/135,236 filed August 17, 1998, which claims priority to U.S. provisional  
patent application Serial No. 60/071,038 filed January 13, 1998, the entire contents  
of which are incorporated herein by this reference.--

*N.E.* Page 1, line 5, after "of" insert --each of--.

Page 29, line 14, change "have a" to --have an optical--.

Page 43, lines 35-36, change "Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ (A-66686)" to

--Serial No. 09/135,158 filed August 17, 1998--.